Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 29 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 30 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 28 Oct 2020 at 15:12 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for very unsettled and windy spell of weather, with Friday looking the best day, but lower for timings of the various bands of rain expected to affect the area.

Headline for Thursday 29 Oct 2020: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, heavy in afternoon. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 29 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	20%	10%	60%	80%	>95%	>95%	60%

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Weather: Any showers, wintry above about 900m, slowly dying out. Then a cloudy day with outbreaks of rain spreading northeast through the morning, perhaps preceded briefly by some sleet or wet snow on highest summits. The rain becomes persistent and heavy through the afternoon making conditions underfoot very wet. Rain turning lighter and patchier in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% at first with occasional cloud above 750m falling close to zero soon after midday with cloud becoming more persistent above 450m with patches below.

Visibility: Very good or excellent falling to just a few kilometres in heavy rain and any summit snow

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	33/43 SW	29/37 SW	24/31 S	24/30 SE	33/42 SE	32/40 SE	35/44 SE	40/51 S	40/54 SW
900	24/33 SW	21/29 SW	18/25 SW	17/23 S	22/30 SE	21/28 SE	21/28 SE	26/38 S	29/42 SW
600	28/36 SW	25/32 SW	20/26 S	18/24 S	25/34 SE	24/31 SE	24/32 SE	31/41 S	32/45 SW
300	15/24 SW	12/18 SW	10/16 S	11/17 SE	16/26 SE	16/26 SE	13/21 SE	17/29 S	18/31 SW
Glen	10/23 SW	9/19 SW	8/17 SW	7/17 SE	8/19 E	9/21 SE	8/17 S	14/30 SW	15/32 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-9	-1/-9	-1/-8	-0/-8	1/-7	2/-6	4/-3	6/-1	6/-0
900	2/-4	2/-4	1/-4	1/-4	3/-4	3/-2	4/-1	7/2	8/3
600	5/-1	4/-2	4/-1	5/1	8/3	8/4	8/4	9/5	10/6
300	7/3	6/3	6/3	7/4	7/4	8/5	10/7	11/8	12/9
Glen	8/6	8/5	8/5	8/6	9/7	10/8	11/10	13/11	13/11
Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1900m	2300m	2600m	2600m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Gusts around 60mph possible over ridges and summits during the evening.

Forecast for Friday 30 Oct 2020
Weather: Rather cloudy with patchy light rain through the early hours. The cloud breaking soon after dawn with sunny spells developing.

Maximum wind: Westerly 25-30mph, with gusts around 50mph at first over ridges and summits, gradually backing southerly and easing 10-15mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% with occasional cloud above 750m, improving close to 100% through the afternoon with little or no cloud below summits by mid-afternoon.

Visibility: Very good, falling to several kilometres in rain

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 7 Celsius rising to plus 11 Celsius by day
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius falling to plus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits falling close to the higher summits

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